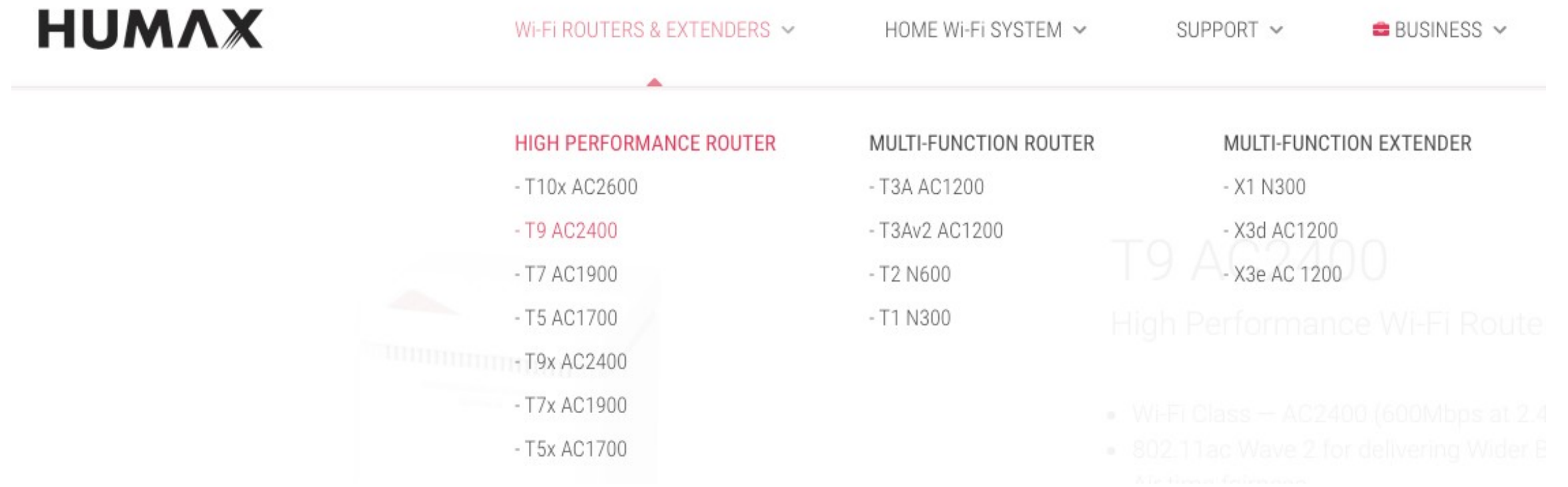


Exhibit 3

- Humax makes WiFi systems including routers and extenders



The image shows the Humax website header and product categories. The Humax logo is on the left. Navigation links include 'Wi-Fi ROUTERS & EXTENDERS', 'HOME Wi-Fi SYSTEM', 'SUPPORT', and 'BUSINESS'. Below these are three columns of product categories: 'HIGH PERFORMANCE ROUTER', 'MULTI-FUNCTION ROUTER', and 'MULTI-FUNCTION EXTENDER'. The 'HIGH PERFORMANCE ROUTER' column lists models T10x AC2600, T9 AC2400, T7 AC1900, T5 AC1700, T9x AC2400, T7x AC1900, and T5x AC1700. The 'MULTI-FUNCTION ROUTER' column lists T3A AC1200, T3Av2 AC1200, T2 N600, and T1 N300. The 'MULTI-FUNCTION EXTENDER' column lists X1 N300, X3d AC1200, and X3e AC 1200. A large, faded image of a Humax T9 AC2400 router is in the background.

HUMAX

Wi-Fi ROUTERS & EXTENDERS ▾ HOME Wi-Fi SYSTEM ▾ SUPPORT ▾ BUSINESS ▾

HIGH PERFORMANCE ROUTER

- T10x AC2600
- **T9 AC2400**
- T7 AC1900
- T5 AC1700
- T9x AC2400
- T7x AC1900
- T5x AC1700

MULTI-FUNCTION ROUTER

- T3A AC1200
- T3Av2 AC1200
- T2 N600
- T1 N300

MULTI-FUNCTION EXTENDER

- X1 N300
- X3d AC1200
- X3e AC 1200

T9 AC2400
High Performance Wi-Fi Route

- Wi-Fi Class — AC2400 (600Mbps at 2.4
- 802.11ac Wave 2 for delivering Wider E

A Humax Digital Inc. Product

<https://quantum.humaxdigital.com/product/quantum-t9/>



- **The T9 AC2400 is a system that provides WiFi access**

T9 AC2400

High Performance Wi-Fi Router

- Wi-Fi Class — AC2400 (600Mbps at 2.4GHz, 1800Mbps at 5GHz)
- 802.11ac Wave 2 for delivering Wider Bandwidth, Dynamic Bandwidth Management and Air time fairness
- Three(3) 10/100/1000 Mbps — 1 WAN & 2 LAN Gigabit Ethernet ports
- USB 3.0 port for media sharing and network print server
- Advanced Wi-Fi — MAC ON THE FLY Architecture
- MU-MIMO — multiple devices get simultaneous high-bandwidth Wi-Fi signals
- AnyClient Beam Forming — ensures maximum Wi-Fi coverage for all clients (up to 128) connected
- VPN Server & Client Support — secure remote access for privacy
- Guest Network Access
- IPv6 Support (Internet Protocol Version 6)
- Dual WAN via 3G/4G USB Dongle and Android tethering mode
- Enhanced Parental Control to select devices to manage contents and schedule settings
- Intelligent QoS prioritize and customize any device and/or contents
- Up-to-date Function- Keeps current with the latest service, updates, and other maintenance releases by cloud server



<https://quantum.humaxdigital.com/product/quantum-t9/>

- The T9 AC2400 provides WiFi access simultaneously to multiple end units that are located throughout rooms in a building

5GHz Speed Coverage Throughout the Home With No 2.4GHz Interference

As a dual band type router, both 2.4GHz and 5GHz wireless bandwidths are supported simultaneously. The 2.4GHz bandwidth covers the furthest corners of your home for web surfing, email, file sharing, and other general network functions. The 5GHz bandwidth is for online gaming, HD video streaming, and other functions when a buffer-free, high speed, and powerful networking performance is necessary.

Quick Wi-Fi Speeds For Multiple Devices Connected Simultaneously

Smarter Wi-Fi packet transmission featuring MAC ON THE FLY architecture. Up to 128 devices connected simultaneously supported without a reduction in speed. Upload and download speeds remain stable even in such extreme situations for reliable Wi-Fi connections at all times.

<https://quantum.humaxdigital.com/product/quantum-t9/>

➤ **The T9 AC2400 can control which WiFi signals are sent to which end units**

T9 AC2400

High Performance Wi-Fi Router

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- The T9 AC2400 has video streaming capabilities



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- The T9 AC2400 supports MU-MIMO and beam-forming technologies

MU-MIMO For More Connections

Everyone connected to the network can experience fast, high speed internet connections with MU-MIMO technology that supports 4 simultaneous data streams for speeds up to 4 times faster than common AC routers, for all devices connected to the network.



Multi-User MIMO

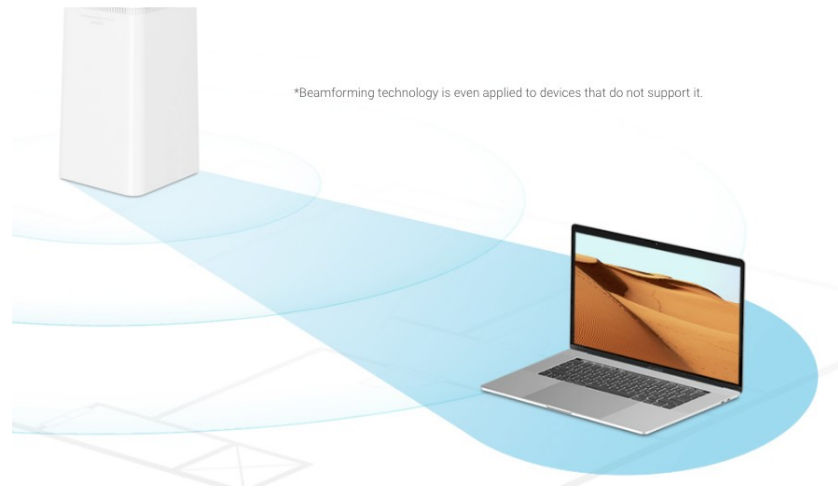
Wi-Fi to multiple devices at the same time

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AnyClient Beamforming Technology Applied To All Devices

Beamforming technology senses devices receiving the antenna waves and focuses the wireless signals. This extends the wireless connection range while establishing a stable, reliable wireless network.

The AnyClient Beamforming technology found on the HUMAX High Performance series is even applied to devices that do not support beamforming. Devices connected wirelessly to the router can enjoy a fast, worry-free, and reliable Wi-Fi connection with beamforming technology.



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- The T9 AC2400 supports the latest advanced Wi-Fi standards (802.11n and 802.11ac) for maximum range and elimination of dead zones

TECH SPECS

○ Specification

Product Category	AC2400 Dual Band Smart Wi-Fi Router
Wi-Fi Technology	IEEE 802.11ac/n/a 5GHz, IEEE 802.11b/g/n 2.4GHz
Wi-Fi Performance	600Mbps at 2.4GHz, 1800Mbps at 5GHz
Wi-Fi Band	Simultaneous dual band 2.4 & 5GHz
Antennas	Internal 2.4GHz 3T3R / 5G 4T4R
Advanced Wi-Fi Technology	1) CPU Offload, 2) Flexible packet transmission, 3) Multi client performance.
MU-MIMO	Yes
Beamforming	AnyClient Beamforming - Ensure maximum Wi-Fi coverage to all of the 128 clients connected.

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US7827581 vs. 802.11ac (Wi-Fi) Wireless Routers and Access Points

Summary:

These charts compare claims 1, 6 and 28 of US7827581 to 802.11ac compliant wireless routers and access points. Claim 1 is directed to a system for distributing orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) signals carrying multimedia information throughout a multi-room building to multiple end units. Dependent claim 6 further limits the system of claim 1 to being a modular system. Claim 28 adds the limitation that the OFDM signal transmissions are spatially directed to the end units. A key aspect of claim 1 is that it requires the system to be able to transmit broadcast traffic (e.g. video streaming) and other traffic (e.g. data communications, voice etc.) separately. This requirement is satisfied by multiple-user (MU) multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) technology, which enables multiple types of traffic to be carried in the same transmission, via a multi-user data frame. MU-MIMO was first introduced by 802.11ac in 2013. A differentiating feature of claim 28 is that it requires directionality to the transmissions made from the system. The capability was first introduced in 802.11n in 2009, and later improved in 802.11ac. In 2009, IEEE 802.11n introduced MIMO directed beamforming techniques, which supported maximum of four space-time streams per transmission. This feature provided the capability to direct transmissions to one or more diversely located end units. IEEE 802.11ac increases the maximum number of space-time streams to eight.

With a priority date of February 29, 2000, US7827581 predates the standard by 13 years. The standard uses orthogonal frequency division multiplexing as well as multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) technology both of which compensate for multi-path transmission effects that occur from radio frequency (RF) line of sight (LOS) and RF non-LOS transmission paths, such as occur in multi-room buildings. OFDM technology provides adequate symbol width and guard intervals so as to alleviate inter symbol interference (ISI) effects such as can occur due to multi-path, reflection and absorption phase induced losses. When using broadcast/multicast transmission, 802.11ac routers and access points do not expect acknowledgement (ACK) messages from the end-users devices upon the successful reception of packets.

US7827581 – CLAIM 1	Commentary & Evidence {References at end}
1. A customer premises system in which:	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>IEEE 802.11ac wireless distribution systems include 802.11ac compliant wireless routers and access points.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“The single-link and multi-station enhancements supported by 802.11ac enable several new WLAN usage scenarios, such as simultaneous streaming of HD video to multiple clients throughout the home, rapid synchronization and backup of large data files, wireless display, large campus/auditorium deployments, and manufacturing floor automation.”^[6]</p> <p>With the inclusion of USB 3.0 interface, 802.11ac access points and routers can use locally attached storage to provide various services that fully utilize their WLAN capacities, such as video streaming, FTP servers, and personal cloud services.”^[7] With storage locally attached through USB 2.0, filling the bandwidth made available by 802.11ac was not easily accomplished.” {1}</p>
the terms: a digital data packet is: a container of data defined by boundaries set according to a protocol;	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>IEEE 802.11ac is a wireless communication protocol that uses digital data packets, also known as data frames. Three types of data frames are used: data frames, control frames and management frames.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“Three major frame types exist. Data frames are the pack horses of 802.11, hauling data from station to station. Several different data frame flavors can occur, depending on the network. <i>Control frames</i> are used in conjunction with data frames to perform area-clearing operations, channel acquisition and carrier-sensing maintenance functions, and positive acknowledgment of received data. Control and data frames work in conjunction to deliver data reliably from station to station. <i>Management frames</i> perform supervisory functions; they are used to join and leave wireless networks and move associations from access point to access point.” {2}</p> <div data-bbox="728 1263 1497 1346"></div> <p>Figure 4-1. Generic data frame {2}</p>

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<p>communicate is: to transmit digital data packets bi-directionally, with a hand-shaking mechanism for each digital data packet;</p>	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>IEEE 802.11ac supports bi-directional communication that involves the receiving end unit sending an acknowledgment message to the transmitter of a data frame for data frames that have been successfully received. The graphics shows station 1 transmitting a data frame fragment to station 2, and station 2 responding with an acknowledgement message (ACK).</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“Three major frame types exist. Data frames are the pack horses of 802.11, hauling data from station to station.” {2}</p> <p>“If the More Fragments bit in the Frame Control field is 0, no more fragments remain in the frame. The final fragment need only reserve the medium for its own ACK, at which point contention-based access resumes. The Duration field is set to the amount of time required for one short interframe space and the fragment acknowledgment. Figure 4-2 illustrates this process.” {2}</p> <div data-bbox="728 792 1811 1143"><p>The diagram illustrates the timing of a final frame fragment transmission. It shows three horizontal timelines: Station 1, Station 2, and NAV (Network Allocation Vector). Station 1 transmits the 'Last fragment'. Station 2 responds with an 'ACK'. The NAV for Station 1 shows the 'Second to last fragment' and the 'Fragment: SIFS+ACK'. The diagram also shows the 'SIFS' (Short Inter Frame Space) and 'DIFS' (Distributed Inter Frame Space) intervals, and a 'Contention window' for other stations to attempt transmission.</p></div> <p><i>Figure 4-2. Duration setting on final fragment</i></p> <p>{2}</p>
<p>broadcast is: to transmit digital data packets in one direction, with no hand-shaking mechanism for each</p>	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>IEEE 802.11ac supports broadcast transmission of data frames, in which case there the receiving end unit does not send an acknowledgement when it receives a data frame. In IEEE 802.11n (2009) the nomenclature for broadcast and multicast frames</p>

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digital data packet;	<p>changed to “group addressed” frames. Generally, group addressed frames are frames that are addressed to more than one destination. The Quality of Service (QoS) control field of a data frame is a 16-bit field that identifies the traffic category or traffic stream to which the frame belongs and other QoS-related information about the frame. The Ack Policy subfield (bits 5 and 6) of the QoS control field is used to specify whether or not the data frame requires an acknowledgement. The combination of bit 5 = 1 and bit 6 = 0 is used for group addressed data frames to indicate that an acknowledgement is not required for the data frame.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“Frames transmitted to a broadcast or multicast destination (Address 1 has the group bit set) have a duration of 0. Such frames are not part of an atomic exchange and are not acknowledged by receivers, so contention-based access to the medium can begin after the conclusion of a broadcast or multicast data frame.” {2}</p> <div><div><div>Octets: 2266626240–79554</div><div><div>Frame Control</div><div>Duration /ID</div><div>Address 1</div><div>Address 2</div><div>Address 3</div><div>Sequence Control</div><div>Address 4</div><div>QoS Control</div><div>HT Control</div><div>Frame Body</div><div>FCS</div></div><div>←MAC Header→</div></div><p>Figure 7-1—MAC frame format {8}</p><p>7.1.3.5 QoS Control field “The QoS Control field is a 16-bit field that identifies the traffic category (TC) or traffic stream (TS) to which the frame belongs and various other QoS-related information about the frame that varies by frame type and subtype.” {8}</p><p>7.1.3.5.3 Ack Policy subfield</p><p>Table 7-6—Ack Policy subfield in QoS Control field of QoS data frames</p><table><tr><th colspan="2">Bits in QoS Control field</th><th rowspan="2">Meaning</th></tr><tr><th>Bit 5</th><th>Bit 6</th></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table></div>	Bits in QoS Control field		Meaning	Bit 5	Bit 6			
Bits in QoS Control field		Meaning							
Bit 5	Bit 6								

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	1	0	<p>No Ack The addressed recipient takes no action upon receipt of the frame. More details are provided in 9.11. The Ack Policy subfield is set to this value in all directed frames in which the sender does not require acknowledgment. This combination is also used for broadcast and multicast group-addressed frames that use the QoS frame format. <u>This combination is not used for QoS data frames with a TID for which a Block Ack agreement exists.</u></p>	{8}
<p>including:</p> <p>a wireless multimedia center (WMC) for reception on said premises from one or more signal sources and for distribution of segments of signals from said signal sources through the wireless multimedia center</p>	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>An IEEE 802.11ac compliant wireless router has a Wide Area Network (WAN) port for connecting to a broadband modem. The broadband modem connects to an Internet service provider via a Cable, DSL, fiber optic line, or terrestrial antenna to receive signals carrying data that provides the Internet service. The Internet service provides many different data and program sources from servers connected to the Internet. The wireless router using 802.11ac (Wi-Fi) to communicate wirelessly to multiple Wi-Fi clients simultaneously. The coverage area of a Wi-Fi network can be extended by connected to the wireless router to multiple Access Points (AP) is physically diverse locations.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“Router: This is the central device of a home network into which you can plug one end of a network cable. The other end of the cable goes into a networking device that has a network port. If you want to add more network devices to a router, you'll need more cables and more ports on the router. These ports, both on the router and on the end devices, are called Local Area Network (LAN) ports.” {3}</p> <p>“Wide-area network (WAN) port: Also known as the internet port. Generally, a router has just one WAN port. (Some business routers come with dual WAN ports, so one can use two separate internet services at a time.) On any router, the WAN port will be separated from the LAN ports, and is often distinguished by being a different color. A WAN port is used to connect to an internet source, such as a broadband modem.” {3}</p> <p>“Broadband modem: Often called a DSL modem or cable modem, a broadband modem is a device that bridges the internet connection from a service provider to a computer or to a router, making the internet available to consumers.” {3}</p> <p>“A wireless network is very similar to a wired network with one big difference: devices don't use cables to connect to the router and one another. Instead, they use radio wireless connections called Wi-Fi (Wireless Fidelity), which is a friendly name for the</p>			

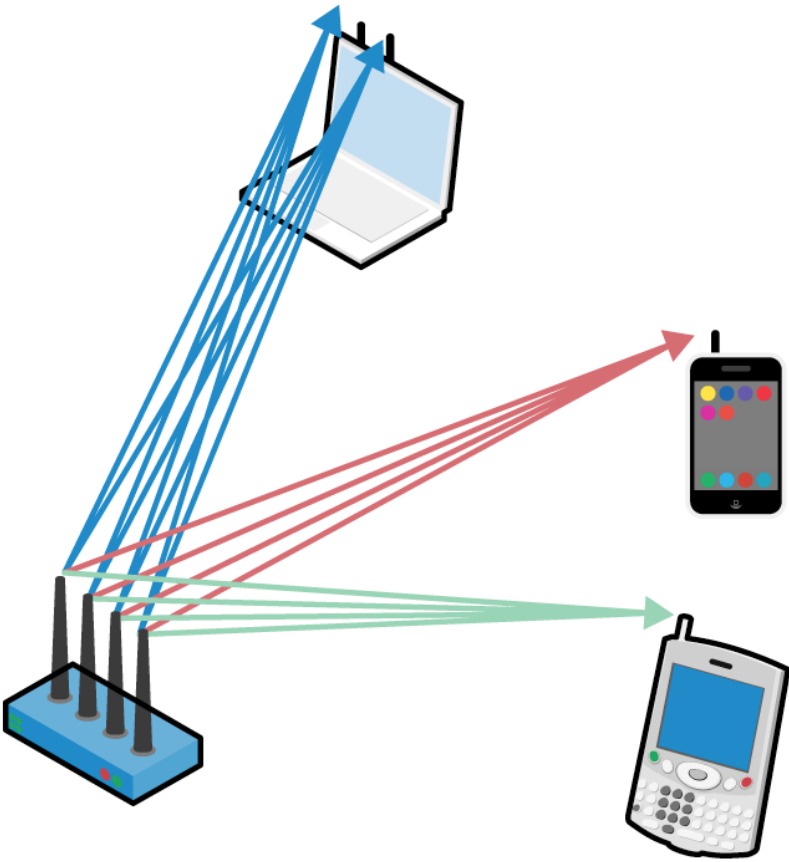
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	<p>802.11 networking standards supported by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). Wireless networking devices don't need to have ports, just antennas, which sometimes are hidden inside the device itself. In a typical home network, there are generally both wired and wireless devices, and they can all talk to one another. In order to have a Wi-Fi connection, there needs to be an access point and a Wi-Fi client." {3}</p> <p>"Access point: An access point (AP) is a central device that broadcasts a Wi-Fi signal for Wi-Fi clients to connect to. Generally, each wireless network, like those you see popping up on your phone's screen as you walk around a big city, belongs to one access point. You can buy an AP separately and connect it to a router or a switch to add Wi-Fi support to a wired network, but generally, you want to buy a wireless router, which is a regular router (one WAN port, multiple LAN ports and so on) with a built-in access point. Some routers even come with more than one access point (see discussion of dual-band and tri-band routers below)." {3}</p> <p>"Wi-Fi client: A Wi-Fi client or WLAN client is a device that can detect the signal broadcast by an access point, connect to it and maintain the connection. All recent laptops, phones and tablets on the market come with built-in Wi-Fi capability." {3}</p>
to a plurality of end units, in which:	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>An IEEE 802.11ac compliant wireless router or access point is capable of communicating with many types of end units. Examples of the various types of end units, which are 802.11ac compliant Wi-Fi client devices is given in the table below. These Wi-Fi client devices include handheld devices, laptops, tablets, PCs, digital TVs and set-top boxes.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p>

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	{References at end}			
	Scenario	Typical client form factor	PHY link rate	Aggregate capacity (speed)
	One-antenna AP, one-antenna STA, 80 MHz	Handheld	433 Mbit/s	433 Mbit/s
	Two-antenna AP, two-antenna STA, 80 MHz	Tablet, laptop	867 Mbit/s	867 Mbit/s
	One-antenna AP, one-antenna STA, 160 MHz	Handheld	867 Mbit/s	867 Mbit/s
	Three-antenna AP, three-antenna STA, 80 MHz	Laptop, PC	1.27 Gbit/s	1.27 Gbit/s
	Two-antenna AP, two-antenna STA, 160 MHz	Tablet, laptop	1.69 Gbit/s	1.69 Gbit/s
	Four-antenna AP, four one-antenna STAs, 160 MHz (MU-MIMO)	Handheld	867 Mbit/s to each STA	3.39 Gbit/s
	Eight-antenna AP, 160 MHz (MU-MIMO) . one four-antenna STA . one two-antenna STA . two one-antenna STAs	Digital TV, Set-top Box, Tablet, Laptop, PC, Handheld	. 3.39 Gbit/s to four-antenna STA . 1.69 Gbit/s to two-antenna STA . 867 Mbit/s to each one-antenna STA	6.77 Gbit/s
	Eight-antenna AP, four 2-antenna STAs, 160 MHz (MU-MIMO)	Digital TV, tablet, laptop, PC	1.69 Gbit/s to each STA	6.77 Gbit/s
	{1}			
the signals include video and/or audio signals (hereinafter video) and/or broadband communication data;	Commentary: The wireless signals transmitted by an 802.11ac compliant wireless router or access point signals for video streaming and broadband data communications. <u>Evidence:</u> 802.11ac is the latest evolution of Wi-Fi, and it should be particularly good for gaming and HD video streaming. {4} “The single-link and multi-station enhancements supported by 802.11ac enable several new WLAN usage scenarios, such as simultaneous streaming of HD video to multiple clients throughout the home, rapid synchronization and backup of large data files, wireless display, large campus/auditorium deployments, and manufacturing floor automation.” {1} “The last major revision to the main WiFi standard was 802.11ac, which was designed to dramatically increase the speed of data transfers. This is the first standard on the way to “Gigabit WiFi” where speeds can reach 1 Gbit/s, by far the fastest WiFi version to date. 802.11ac also runs solely on the less cluttered 5 GHz band and this higher frequency and modulation rate allows for a higher			

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	speed, at the expense of range compared with 2.4 GHz 802.11n or g.” {5}
the wireless multimedia center receives all the signals and distributes segments of said signals via a transmitter;	<u>Commentary:</u> An IEEE 802.11ac compliant wireless router is capable of receiving all the WAN signals from a network connection at the premises via a broadband modem. An internal access point in the wireless router and/or an external access point connected to the wireless router transmits segments of the WAN signals as requested by Wi-Fi clients. The wireless router or access point has an 802.11ac compliant transmitter for this purposes and supports multiple user – multiple input multiple output (MU-MIMO) transmission for this purpose. <u>Evidence:</u> Generally, a router has just one WAN port . {3} “ A WAN port is used to connect to an internet source , such as a broadband modem .” {3} a broadband modem is a device that bridges the internet connection from a service provider to a computer or to a router , making the internet available to consumers.” {3} An access point (AP) is a central device that broadcasts a Wi-Fi signal for Wi-Fi clients to connect to . {3} You can buy an AP separately and connect it to a router or a switch to add Wi-Fi support to a wired network, but generally, you want to buy a wireless router , which is a regular router (one WAN port, multiple LAN ports and so on) with a built-in access point . {3} “ Wi-Fi client: A Wi-Fi client or WLAN client is a device that can detect the signal broadcast by an access point, connect to it and maintain the connection .” {3} “With MU-MIMO , multiple simultaneous transmissions of different Wi-Fi tiers are sent to multiple devices at the same time, enabling them to connect at the speed each client needs. In other words, having a MU-MIMO Wi-Fi network is like having multiple wireless routers of different Wi-Fi tiers. Each of these "routers" is dedicated to each tier of devices in the network so that multiple devices can connect at the same time without slowing one another down. “{3}
the video signals are broadcast by	<u>Commentary:</u>

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<p>orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) in which all signals are added together and summed as an orthogonal array having dimensions of time, frequency and amplitude, to transmit spread spectrum multiplexed signals, in which each pulse including said signals has sufficiently long individual pulse widths to defeat multi-path, reflection and absorption phase induced losses;</p>	<p>802.11ac supports MU-MIMO, which uses space-time coding of the OFDM signals to distinguish the multipath OFDM signals that are destined for the same end unit, and hence are to be combined according to MIMO techniques. The patent contemplated the use of coding OFDM signals.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“Traditionally, radio engineers treated natural multipath propagation as an impairment to be mitigated. MIMO is the first radio technology that treats multipath propagation as a phenomenon to be exploited. MIMO multiplies the capacity of a radio link by transmitting multiple signals over multiple, co-located antennas. This is accomplished without the need for additional power or bandwidth. Space-time codes are employed to ensure that the signals transmitted over the different antennas are orthogonal to each other, making it easier for the receiver to distinguish one from another. Even when there is line of sight access between two stations, dual antenna polarization may be used to ensure that there is more than one robust path.</p> <p>OFDM enables reliable broadband communications by distributing user data across a number of closely spaced, narrowband subchannels.^[1] This arrangement makes it possible to eliminate the biggest obstacle to reliable broadband communications, intersymbol interference (ISI). ISI occurs when the overlap between consecutive symbols is large compared to the symbols’ duration. Normally, high data rates require shorter duration symbols, increasing the risk of ISI. By dividing a high-rate data stream into numerous low-rate data streams, OFDM enables longer duration symbols. A cyclic prefix (CP) may be inserted to create a (time) guard interval that prevents ISI entirely. If the guard interval is longer than the delay spread—the difference in delays experienced by symbols transmitted over the channel—then there will be no overlap between adjacent symbols and consequently no intersymbol interference. Though the CP slightly reduces spectral capacity by consuming a small percentage of the available bandwidth, the elimination of ISI makes it an exceedingly worthwhile tradeoff. “{6}</p>
<p>and:</p> <p>the video signals are broadcast from the wireless multimedia center via one or more separate and dedicated RF channels to one or more end units;</p>	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>MU-MIMO uses multiple transmit and receive antennas to take advantage of multipath signal propagation to increase communication bandwidth. Space-time coding is applied to the signal transmitted from each antenna so that signals destined to the same end unit can be combined, according to MIMO technology. This creates a separate and dedicated RF channel (by way of the space-time coding) for each end unit, which enables the medium (spectral band designated for Wi-Fi) to be shared simultaneously among multiple end units. This operation is in contrast to 802.11a/b/g in which the medium is shared on a time-multiplexed basis among the end units. The Very High Throughput (VHT) physical specification (PHY) of 802.11ac applies to individually addressed and group addressed transmission (see earlier discussion regarding broadcast/multicast transmissions now</p>

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	<p>referred to as group addressed transmissions). The VHT PHY extends the maximum number of space-time streams supported to eight and provides support for downlink multi-user (MU) transmissions. A downlink MU transmission supports up to four users with up to four space-time streams per user with the total number of space-time streams not exceeding eight. In 2009 IEEE 802.11n introduced four MIMO streams but did not support MU transmissions.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“When transmitting a multi-user MIMO frame set, 802.11ac handles each individual user separately up to the point at which signals are combined for the analog frontend in the spatial mapper. Figure 4-17 shows a highly simplified block diagram of a two-user MIMO transmission system. Each user’s input is treated independently in the digital system, where it is padded and scrambled and has forward error correction applied. Individual transmissions in a multi-user MIMO system can be coded independently, so one user may have convolutional coding and a second user may use LDPC. Each transmission is modulated at its own rate, and may or may not have STBC applied. Multiple user transmissions are only combined together in the spatial mapper, at which point the steering matrix derived from the sounding process is applied to the collective data of all users.” {7}</p> <p>“The most important task for a receiver of a multi-user transmission is to determine how to get at its own transmission within the multi-user stream of data while ignoring all the others. When decoding the transmissions, a receiver can process not only its own stream’s VHT-modulated training fields, but also the other streams in the transmission. For obvious reasons, the other streams are called <i>interfering</i> streams. 802.11ac places no requirement on a station to decode the interfering data streams, but doing so will reduce the effects of interference.” {7}</p>

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	<div data-bbox="728 315 1897 1230"><p data-bbox="741 1198 1298 1219"><i>Figure 4-14. Multi-user MIMO transmission model system</i></p></div> <div data-bbox="1903 1214 1956 1243">{7}</div> <div data-bbox="728 1273 2432 1425"><p data-bbox="728 1273 1475 1308">“22. Very High Throughput (VHT) PHY specification</p><p data-bbox="728 1341 956 1369">22.1 Introduction</p><p data-bbox="728 1372 1147 1399">22.1.1 Introduction to the VHT PHY</p><p data-bbox="728 1403 2432 1425">Clause 22 specifies the PHY entity for a very high throughput (VHT) orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) system.</p></div>

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	<p>In addition to the requirements in Clause 22, a VHT STA shall be capable of transmitting and receiving PPDU's that are compliant with the mandatory PHY specifications defined in Clause 20. The VHT PHY is based on the HT PHY defined in Clause 20, which in turn is based on the OFDM PHY defined in Clause 18. The VHT PHY extends the maximum number of space-time streams supported to eight and provides support for downlink multi-user (MU) transmissions. A downlink MU transmission supports up to four users with up to four space-time streams per user with the total number of space-time streams not exceeding eight.</p> <p>NOTE—A VHT SU PPDU includes individually addressed and group addressed transmissions." {9}</p>
<p>and</p> <p>optionally, the end units communicate simultaneously with the wireless multimedia center, via a separate bi-directional wideband data pipe (WDP) which provides, as demanded, control for the video channels, data transfer, or plain old telephone service, wherein said wireless multimedia center controls which segments of which signals are distributed to each end unit; the video signals are broadcast independently without the presence of communication signals and/or are broadcast simultaneously with the communication signals.</p>	<p>Commentary:</p> <p>An 802.11ac wireless router or access point uses a prioritized queue mechanism to control which segments of signals are included in multi-user frame transmissions. The queue is filled depending on the communication needs of applications that are running on the end unit devices, such as voice, data and video applications. The end units communicate in a bi-directional manner with the router or access point depending on a channel acquisition procedure. The first figure shows an example of a multi-user frame simultaneously carrying voice, video and best effort data packets, which may include group addressed (broadcast/multicast) data packets (e.g. for a video application) and unicast data packets (e.g. for voice and data applications, as well as control of the video, voice and data applications). The second figure shows an example channel assignment for accessing a wideband pipe, which can be a combination one, two, four or eight 20 MHz channels.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>"With MU-MIMO, multiple simultaneous transmissions of different Wi-Fi tiers are sent to multiple devices at the same time, enabling them to connect at the speed each client needs. In other words, having a MU-MIMO Wi-Fi network is like having multiple wireless routers of different Wi-Fi tiers. Each of these "routers" is dedicated to each tier of devices in the network so that multiple devices can connect at the same time without slowing one another down." {3}</p> <p>"Multi-user MIMO systems retain the same four queues for voice, video, best effort, and background traffic originally developed as part of the 802.11 quality of service architecture." {7}</p> <p>"In this figure, there is a relatively long frame at the head of the voice queue destined for the phone. When the AP gains control of the channel to transmit the voice frame to the phone, the voice access category becomes the primary AC. The AP begins constructing a multi-user frame, and can now consider other frames and other access categories for transmission." {7}</p>

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	<p>“For instance, within the transmit queues in the AP it is possible to select a video frame for one laptop and two best-effort data frames for the other laptop while retaining the same overall frame transmission time, provided that the two laptop devices are located in directions that are not subject to causing inter-user interference. Even if there are other frames available, such as the background frame shown to the fourth station in Figure 4-20, they may not be included in a multi-user transmission if the receiver is not spatially distinct.” {7}</p> <div data-bbox="728 521 1905 1321"><p>Figure 4-20. Queuing with multi-user MIMO</p></div> <p>{7}</p> <p>“To help with dividing up airtime between channels, 802.11ac introduces the terminology of <i>primary</i> and <i>secondary</i> (or, more</p>

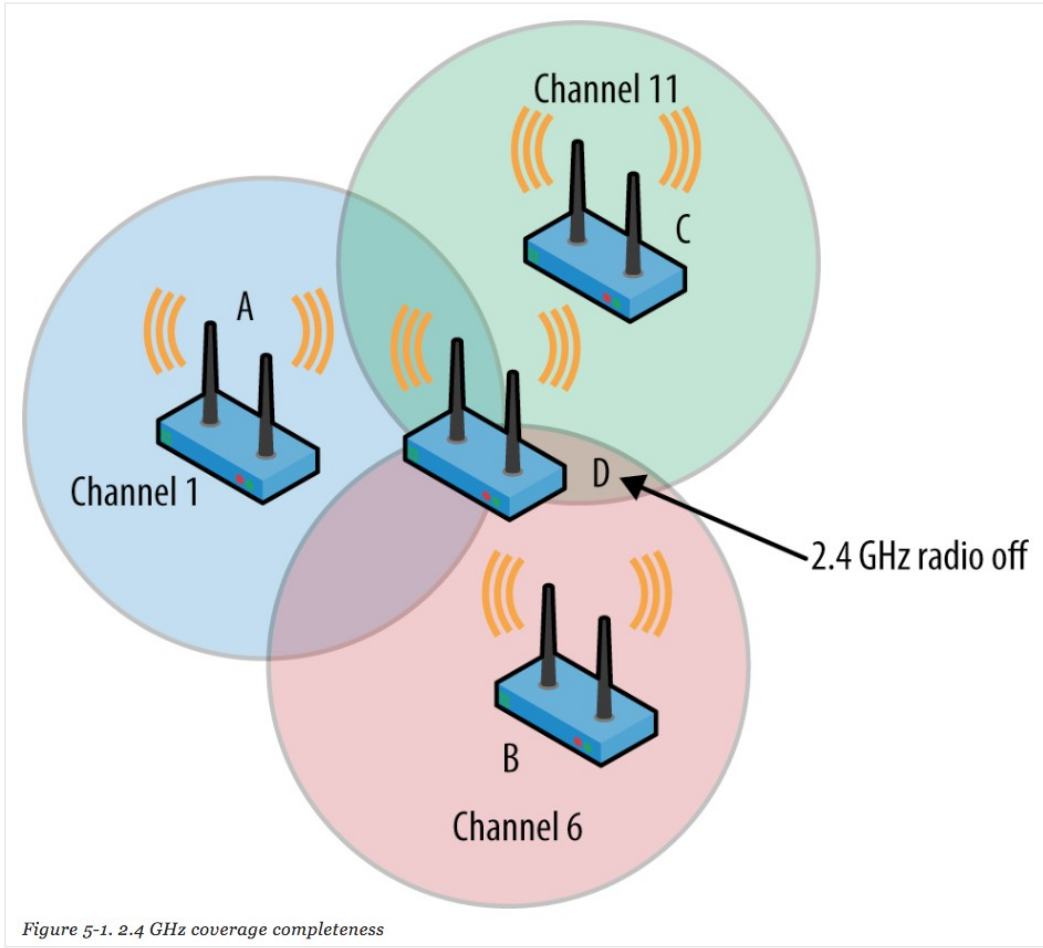
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	<div>formally, <i>non-primary</i>) channels. The primary channel is the channel used to transmit something at its native bandwidth.” {7}</div> <div>Table 3-2. Primary and secondary channel relationships in Figure 3-5</div> <table><tr><th>Channel bandwidth</th><th>Primary channel</th><th>Secondary channel</th><th>Total number of 20 MHz channels</th></tr><tr><td>20 MHz</td><td>60</td><td>64</td><td>One (60)</td></tr><tr><td>40 MHz</td><td>60</td><td>52</td><td>Two (60, 64)</td></tr><tr><td>80 MHz</td><td>52</td><td>36</td><td>Four (52, 56, 60, and 64)</td></tr><tr><td>160 MHz</td><td>36</td><td>n/a</td><td>Eight (36, 40, 44, 48, 52, 56, 60, and 64)</td></tr></table> <div>{7}</div>	Channel bandwidth	Primary channel	Secondary channel	Total number of 20 MHz channels	20 MHz	60	64	One (60)	40 MHz	60	52	Two (60, 64)	80 MHz	52	36	Four (52, 56, 60, and 64)	160 MHz	36	n/a	Eight (36, 40, 44, 48, 52, 56, 60, and 64)
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6. A system according to claim 1 in which the system is modular	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>An IEEE 802.11ac wireless distribution system may include 802.11ac compliant wireless router connected to multiple access points. The access points may have different primary channel assignments. This facilitates simultaneous service to a much larger number of end units over a larger geographical area as compared to a system with a single wireless router with only one internal access point in it.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“In a network designed for 802.11ac capacity, generally the APs will be placed where they are needed for 5 GHz coverage. In a network designed for 802.11ac capacity, the network will be quite dense because of the high SNR requirements to support the 256-QAM rates (MCS 8 and 9). As a result, there are likely to be places in your network where a dual-radio device does not make sense. Figure 5-1 illustrates one example of this. Four APs are used to provide high-quality 802.11ac coverage. However, due to the longer usable range of 2.4 GHz radio signals, even when turning the power down, three APs are sufficient to provide coverage at 2.4 GHz. One of the APs does not need to activate its 2.4 GHz radio.” {7}</p> <p>“A common method of adding 802.11ac capacity to an existing network is to add an 802.11ac radio to a place in space where 5 GHz coverage needs improvement. Such “infill” APs need only be 5 GHz-capable, but should come from the same vendor as the dual-radio devices already used on your network to ensure that the roaming, band steering, and load-balancing capabilities work with the rest of the network.” {7}</p>

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28. A system according to claim 1 in which the one of the dimensions of the transmission is direction.	<p><u>Commentary:</u></p> <p>In 2009, IEEE 802.11n introduced MIMO transmission capability, which supports directed beamforming. Beamforming enables transmissions to be spatially directed to a one or more diversely located receivers. In 2013, IEEE 802.11ac extended the maximum number of space-time streams supported from four streams in 802.11n to eight in 802.11ac. The Very High Throughput (VHT) physical specification (PHY) of 802.11ac applies to individually addressed and group addressed transmission (see the earlier discussion regarding broadcast/multicast transmissions now referred to as group addressed transmissions). The VHT PHY also provides support for downlink multi-user (MU) transmissions. A downlink MU transmission supports up to four users with up to four space-time streams per user with the total number of space-time streams not exceeding eight. The following figure depicts directed space-time streams being transmitted to end units. Note that either the transmission depicted by the blue arrows (i.e. eight streams) or the transmission depicted by the green arrows and the red arrows (i.e. total of eight streams) would occur simultaneously, so as not to exceed the maximum of eight streams.</p> <p><u>Evidence:</u></p> <p>“22. Very High Throughput (VHT) PHY specification</p> <p>22.1 Introduction</p> <p>22.1.1 Introduction to the VHT PHY</p> <p>Clause 22 specifies the PHY entity for a very high throughput (VHT) orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) system. In addition to the requirements in Clause 22, a VHT STA shall be capable of transmitting and receiving PPDU's that are compliant with the mandatory PHY specifications defined in Clause 20.</p> <p>The VHT PHY is based on the HT PHY defined in Clause 20, which in turn is based on the OFDM PHY defined in Clause 18. The VHT PHY extends the maximum number of space-time streams supported to eight and provides support for downlink multi-user (MU) transmissions. A downlink MU transmission supports up to four users with up to four space-time streams per user with the total number of space-time streams not exceeding eight.</p> <p>NOTE—A VHT SU PPDU includes individually addressed and group addressed transmissions.” {9}</p>

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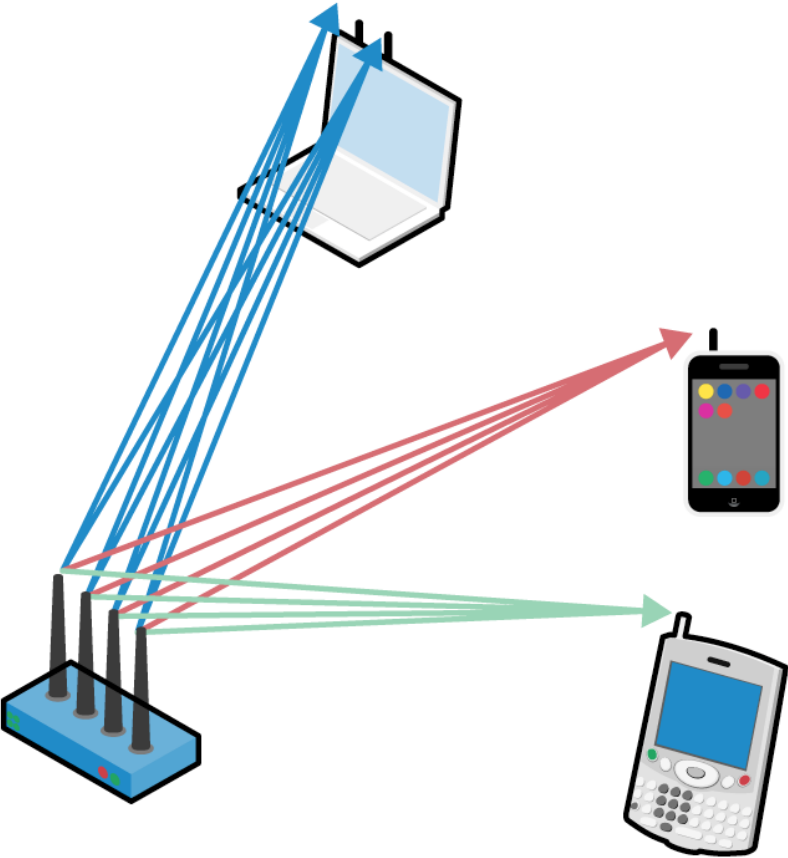


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